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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of February 8, 2005, the period for response expiring May 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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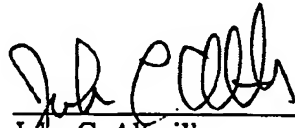
In view of the above, Applicants believe that all claims remaining in this application are in condition for allowance, prompt notice of which is respectfully solicited.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (202) 220-4200 to discuss any information concerning this application.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))		
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 =	*
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	minus 3 =	*
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	26	20	= 6
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	2	3	= 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	
ADD'L FEE	

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	
ADD'L FEE	

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))			=
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))			=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	
ADD'L FEE	

OR

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	
ADD'L FEE	

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))			=
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))			=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	
ADD'L FEE	

OR

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$	=
X \$	=
+ \$	=
TOTAL	
ADD'L FEE	

- * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
- ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" in THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".
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